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Governor

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SENATE EXECUTIVE MESSAGE NO. 38

The Honorable Mary Kay Papen, President Pro Tempore and Members of the New Mexico State Senate State Capitol Building Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Honorable President Pro Tempore Papen and Members of the Senate:

Pursuant to the Constitution of the State of New Mexico, Article IV, Section 22, I hereby VETO and return SENATE PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE CONSERVATION COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL 227 enacted by the Fifty-Third Legislature, First Session, 2017.

Senate Bill 227 requires the General Services Department to adopt rules and issue requests for proposals to acquire renewable energy services for state facilities by January 15, 2018, prior to the deadline the bill gives for completing and implementing a plan for these services. It would be impractical and irresponsible to begin issuing requests for proposals before a plan for these renewable energy services is completed.

Additionally, this process would require additional staff for the General Services Department to effectively establish a plan to provide renewable energy improvements to nearly 750 facilities statewide. This bill does not provide the resources necessary for the successful development and implementation of such a plan.

For these reasons, I hereby veto Senate Bill 227.

Respectfully yours,

Susana Martinez Governor

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